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TUCSON (UPI) -- SEN. BARRY GOLDWATER, R-ARIZ., SAID TODAY HE HAS DRAFTED LEGISLATION TO CRACK DOWN ON LEAKS OF CLASSIFIED GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS.

LEAKS INVOLVING RELEASE OF NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CIA AGENTS ABROAD HAVE "RESULTED IN SEVERAL AGENTS? DEATHS," GOLDWATER SAID.

"WE WANT TO MAKE IT PRETTY DAMN TOUGH ON ANYBODY WHO DOES THAT," HE SAID, BUT HE DID NOT MENTION ANY SPECIFIC PENALTIES.

GOLDWATER, NOW IN LINE TO BECOME CHAIRMAN OF THE INTELLIGENCE CONMITTEE WHEN REPUBLICANS TAKE CONTROL OF THE SENATE, SAID NEWS MEDIA COOPERATION WOULD BE SOUGHT IN DEALING WITH THE LEAK PROBLEM.

"ONE OF THE TOUGHEST PARTS OF WRITING THAT KIND OF LEGISLATION IS TO GET AROUND THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS," HE SAID. "BUT IF THE PRESS WILL ACT RESPONSIBLY, INTELLIGENTLY IN THE DISSEMINATION OF MATERIAL, WE CAN WORK IT OUT."

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